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For: **NON-GELLING HIGH POLYMER COMPOSITIONS AND THERMOPLASTIC  
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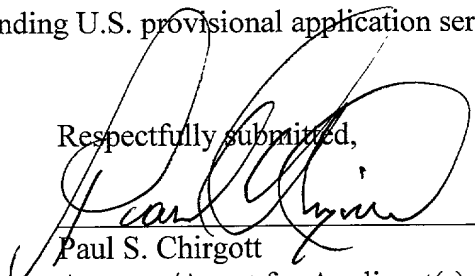
**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND PRIORITY REQUEST**

This preliminary amendment is filed along with the filing of a non-provisional patent application transmittal form. This patent application claims the benefit of the earlier filing date of prior filed co-pending provisional application serial number 60/272,001 filed on February 27, 2001 under 37 CFR 1.78(a)(4). Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

**--Cross Reference To Related Patent Application**

This is a non-provisional application of prior pending U.S. provisional application serial number 60/272,001 filed on February 27, 2001.--

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